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Applicant : Edward J. Coleman, et al.

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ASSIST DEVICE

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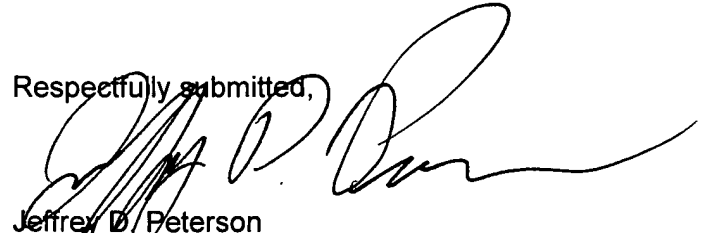
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Sir:

A Notice of Appeal was filed on this case and received by the USPTO on October 26, 2005. Applicants herein have provided an extension of time for four months, extending the pendency of the application from December 26, 2005 to April 26, 2006 as allowed under 37 CFR § 136(a). In lieu of an appeal brief, Applicants herein file a request for continued examination as provided for under 37 CFR. § 1.114 and allowed as explained in the MPEP. § 706.07(h)(x).

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